



June 19, 2003 Minutes

Location

PEN Products, 6075 Lakeside Blvd, Indianapolis, IN 46278

Attendees

Dave Glenn, Dave Coats, John Buechler, Roger Koelpin, Michael Machlan, Bob Weaver, David Bodenhamer, Shaun Scholer, Jim Sparks (for Phil Worrall), Jim Stout, Jerry King, Charley Hickman, Karen Frederickson, Paul Irwin (for John Hill), Roy Graham (for Jere Riggs), Jill Saligoe-Simmel, Gilbert Rochon

1. Approval of Minutes

February 26th, 2003 and April 17th, 2003 IGIC meeting minutes were offered for approval. Discussion indicated the need to amend the April 17th minutes as follows for the item "POLIS Web Mapping Demonstration"

1. "POLIS demonstrated a web-based tool" changed to:
"Polis and the Indiana Geological Survey (IGS) as units of Indiana University demonstrated a web-based tool"
2. "POLIS sought recognition from" to
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3. "POLIS will lead a workgroup" to
"IGIC will lead a workgroup"

Mike Machlan moved, Jim Stout seconded that the minutes be accepted with amendments to the April 17th, 2003 meeting minutes. The minutes were accepted unanimously.

2. Committee Reports / I-Team Updates

Conference Committee - Mike Machlen

The 2003 conference netted between \$5000 and \$10000. Next conference will be February 25th and 26th, 2004, at the same location. Costs negotiated will be very close to the 2003 conference costs. Food is the only item not committed at this time since. The committee is considering format and agenda changes to include focus groups for various levels of government or by agency business (roads, taxes, etc). Call for abstracts will be forthcoming in about one month.

Discussion of the adequacy of the present facility ensued. Concerns were raised about the space limitations. It was observed that the only time seating was an issue was during the luncheon, but at the same time there were several vacant seats at various tables throughout the hall. Anticipated growth should follow last year's increase of about 12-15%, and there were more than enough open seats at the luncheon to accommodate that growth. Additional suggestions included consideration of broadcasting the conference to remote locations. It was noted that the committee is carefully trying to balance costs and benefits in obtaining services like net connectivity – it can be done, but how much will consumers be willing to pay for the service?

Standards Committee – Karen Fredrickson

Ed Lutz of Indiana State Department of Health volunteered to lead the address standards workgroup at the last meeting. Kurt Beuhler of OpenGIS presented various web standards being implemented for Geospatial One-Stop (GOS). The GOS portal is up and running as a demonstration of interoperability. Metadata was also discussed at the meeting, along with the perception that there is a need to update the Indiana Profile. Archival processes for electronic data were considered and a workgroup is being formed along with representatives from Indiana University to delve into the matter. This meeting marked the successful completion of the committee's initial charges, and the establishment of new objectives.

Education and Outreach Committee – Jill Saligoe-Simmel, on behalf of Kevin Mickey

The group is meeting regularly, working on agenda items and activities but deferred further discussion until Kevin could be present.

Data Sharing Committee – Jill Saligoe-Simmel

A tentative first meeting date has been targeted for mid-July.

3. State Agency GIS Task Force and Steering Committee Briefing – Roger Koelpin

The Steering Committee is working on formalization of their charter and approval processes to assure equitable representation for the GIS community members in state government. Collaborative activity between Departments of Health and Transportation is underway to update TIGER line files with orthorectification and more complete line coverage and attributes. ESRI has been selected as the prime contractor for this iteration

in a few select priority counties. Prioritization is based on address matching needs identified by the Department of Health for a bio-terrorism initiative. Discussion probed possible linkages between the collaborative state effort and Bureau of Census' TIGER Modernization program. Two obstacles were identified, first the Bureau's 7.8meter (30foot) accuracy requirement with diminishes the utility of orthorectification based on our existing statewide digital orthophotography; and secondly, the indication to Polis that Indiana is NOT a priority state for the Bureau.

4. Homeland Security GIS Briefing – Jill Saligoe-Simmel

See notes in <http://spatialnews.geocomm.com/dailynews/2003/jun/11/news5.html> and in <http://www.in.gov/lgov/news/2003/strategy.pdf> regarding status of GIS in Indiana's emergency planning. The most recent iteration of planning for GIS in Homeland Security has established GIS as part of the State Emergency Management Agency's (SEMA) state emergency management plan, opening the door for federal funding to be used for GIS. The state's Counter-Terrorism And Security Council (C-TASC) is pushing for additional funding for GIS and is starting legislative action by considering establishment of a Governor's Review Panel. Current GIS activity is focused on bolstering the Crisis and Response Mapping Center and various SEMA Emergency Operations Centers. GIS activity in the plans is an umbrella term for location based and imagery technologies. The significance for the council in the emergency planning efforts is not so much in an approval vein, rather as the body through which best practices and standards for interoperability are put forward, and in some instances implemented in form of multi-use projects to provide a community of assistance in the event of an emergency. An example of which is work with state government to develop and inventory of data already available, to meet immediate Emergency Operations Center needs. The NIMA "MEDS" list is being used as a template which is being compared against the state agency list of data to identify gaps. So far the most urgent gap is between statewide datasets and similar datasets done to local scales. Outcomes of this effort will be presented at the upcoming Local Emergency Responder's conference.

5. Educational / Outreach grant from ILRC – Jill Saligoe-Simmel

The Council's executive committee approved an Indiana Land Resource Council (ILRC) \$5000 grant proposal. The monies must be spent by July 1st, 2003 and will be used to establish a simple on-line map of Indiana through [accessIndiana](http://accessIndiana.org), and to provide content to train the public in GIS through the same portal. The site will also provide access to "Success Using GIS" stories (the template for the stories will be circulated through the list-serve again, shortly), with the intent of providing the GIS community with a place to garner recognition for their GIS efforts.

6. Proposal to the Indiana Geographic Information Council (IGIC) to create the IndianaMap Framework Layer [accessIndiana](http://accessIndiana.org) INGISI Website – Dave Coates (Polis)

A workgroup was established at the last council meeting (April 17th, 2003) to refine the strategy being voiced by Polis and other units of Indiana University to implement Indiana

components of the federal National Map. The components offered include an OpenGIS compliant web application that pulls data from existing interoperable GIS websites and a data collection effort. The workgroup had the intent of clarifying and developing an implementation that is consistent with the federal National Map. The outcome of the workgroup was handed out to the council at this time, along with the recommendation that the council endorse the proposal and join in development of additional funding to implement the proposal.

Discussion followed. Comments revolved around the issue of how much funding is involved, additional refinement of what that funding would support, appropriate mechanisms to engage participants, definition of roles for participants, and the ultimate fate of the products (shareware, licensing etc.). Opportunities to move the consideration to the Data Sharing Committee, and bring in United States Geological Survey expertise with the National Map were identified.

Jim Stout moved that the matter be handled in the Data Sharing Committee, completion of a final draft proposal for consideration within two weeks, and inclusion as an action item at the next council meeting. Bob Weaver seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

7. Demonstration – IndianaView a Remote Sensing-Centric Compliment to IndianaMap - Dr. Gilbert Rochon (Purdue University)

AmericaView Inc. is a non-profit partnership between 10 initial states and the United States Geological Survey to make remote sensing data available to various academic and governmental entities within those states. OhioView was the first instance, and was funded by the state. Indiana could be one of the two remaining open partners in AmericaView. Participation would provide the state with access to advanced remote sensing technology including multi-satellite and real-time coverage. Applications of like products were demonstrated using three-dimensional visualization technologies by Purdue's Laboratory for Applications of Remote Sensing. The council was invited to participate in the upcoming July 16th, 2003 conference to begin planning for IndianaView. Details will be forthcoming about the conference.

8. NSGIC Items – Jill Saligoe-Simmel

NSGIC is restructuring their dues for corporate members, without impact to the council.

Jill has been nominated to serve on the prestigious NSGIC Board, with elections coming this fall.

9. Next Meeting Dates

The council meets the third Thursday of every other month. The next meeting will be August 21st, 2003. There was discussion of the need to have both INGISI and IGIC meetings convene together given the overlap in upcoming agenda items.

10. Adjourn - 4pm